

# UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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Attorney Docket No. 400925

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## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

1. ☒ Transmittal Form ☒ with Fee
2. ☒ Specification (including claims and abstract) [Total Pages 84]
3. ☒ Drawings [Total Sheets 44]
4. ☐ Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney [Total Pages ]
  - a. ☐ Newly executed
  - b. ☐ Copy from prior application

**[Note Box 5 below]**

  - i. ☐ Deletion of Inventor(s) Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application
5. ☐ Incorporation by Reference: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
6. ☐ Microfiche Computer Program
7. ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission
  - a. ☐ Computer Readable Copy
  - b. ☐ Paper Copy
  - c. ☐ Statement verifying above copies

## ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

8. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet and document(s))
9. ☐ Power of Attorney
10. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
11. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
  - ☒ Form PTO-1449
  - ☒ Copies of References
12. ☒ Preliminary Amendment
13. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (Should be specifically itemized)
14. ☐ Small Entity Statement(s)
  - ☐ Enclosed
  - ☐ Statement filed in prior application; status still proper and desired
15. ☒ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)
16. ☒ PrintEFS printout
17. ☐ Other:

18. If a **CONTINUING APPLICATION**, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information in (a) and (b) below:
- (a) ☒ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part of prior application Serial No. ; Art Unit:  
Prior application information: Examiner ;
- (b) Preliminary Amendment: Relate Back - 35 USC §120. The Commissioner is requested to amend the specification by inserting the following sentence before the first line:  
"This is a ☒ continuation ☐ divisional of copending application(s)  
☐ Application No. , filed on  
☒ International Application PCT/JP98/02309, filed on May 27, 1998, and which designates the U.S."

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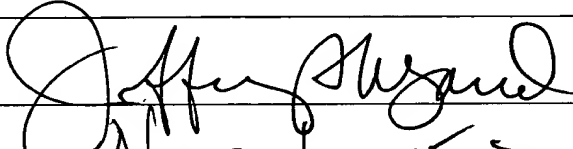
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